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In re Application of:

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## RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action dated May 4, 2001. The three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire August 4, 2001. Accordingly, a Petition for Three-month Extension of Time is attached hereto extending the period for reply to November 4, 2001.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections and allow all claims pending in this application.

Please amend the application as follows.

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 7 and 8 as indicated in Appendices B and C submitted herewith. Appendix B is a marked-up copy of the amended claims and Appendix C is a clean copy of the amended